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The Committee, consisting of Dr. Chapman, Dr. Patterson, and Mr. Richards, which was appointed at the last meeting to devise means for completing the magnetic and meteorological observations which have been in progress during the past year, presented their report; and the recommendations of the Committee being under consideration, the Society adjourned to Friday evening the 25th instant.

Adjourned Meeting, June 25.

Present, thirty-five members.

Judge HOPKINSON, Vice President, in the Chair.

The Society resumed the consideration of the report which was under discussion at the adjournment of the last meeting.

In this report the Committee review the history of the concerted observations first proposed by the Royal Society of London in 1839, and refer to the action of this Society in consequence of the circular from that learned body. They express the strongest confidence in the skill, assiduity, and success, with which the operations of the magnetic observatory at Girard College have been thus far conducted, and a belief that their prosecution is called for by the honour of the Society. They pledge themselves, that as the funds required for the past year's expenditure have been furnished by individual contributions of the members and their friends, so those for the third year shall be supplied in like manner, if the Society will defray the charges of the intervening period from its corporate funds.

After a full discussion of the subject, resolutions were adopted by the Society—1. Directing the Committee on the Observatory to ask permission from the City Councils of Philadelphia to constitute, from certain moneys heretofore paid by the city, a fund for the promotion of astronomical and magnetic researches, and the publication of the results thereof: 2. Authorizing the Committee to refund, if required, certain

contributions made by individuals to the Astronomical Fund; and 3. Directing the trustees of that fund to supply the means of completing the magnetic and meteorological observations on certain terms and conditions.

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Hall of the American Philosophical Society,
Philadelphia, 26th June, 1841.

ERRATUM—In No. 17, at page 43, in the fifth line, for "produce," read "precede."